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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,977,820
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,699,373
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,897,430
- (4) JP 6 69490
- (5) JP 7 183629
- (6) JP 9 214073
- (7) JP 10 341063
- (8) JP 2002-277694
- (9) JP 2002-286959
- (10) WO 2004/038702
- (11) U.S. Patent Publication No. 2006-0216200

Documents (4) to (9) were cited in a Japanese Office Action issued on Japanese priority application JP 2002-359199. A copy of the Japanese Office Action together with an English-language translation is attached herewith. English-language abstracts accompany each of documents (4) to (9). Document (3) is believed to be the English-language counterpart to document (9). A concise explanation of relevance for each of the non-English language documents is believed to be satisfied by the English-language abstracts, the English counterpart, and/or the English-language translation of the Japanese Office Action.

This application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a notice of allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

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		<b>6,977,820</b>	<b>12/20/2005</b>	<b>Uchida</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>761</b>	
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